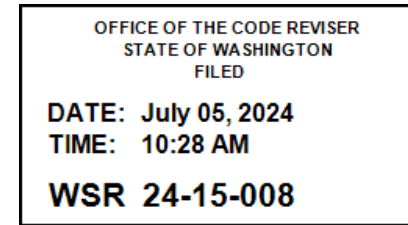




Office of Administrative Hearings
Semi-Annual Rules Development Agenda
July 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024



Our state legislature requires each state agency to prepare a semi-annual agenda of any rules that may be under development (see RCW 34.05.314). The Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) is a state agency that hears and independently resolves disputes between the public and other state agencies. At OAH we encourage the public to be involved in shaping the rules that govern our society. You can get involved by attending public hearings, submitting written comments, or both.

The agenda below briefly describes changes that we anticipate making to OAH rules. This agenda is filed with the Office of the Code Reviser for publication in the Washington State Register. The agenda is also available on our website at <https://oah.wa.gov/Content-Area-Management/Rule-Making-Hub/Rulemaking-Activities>.

If you have any questions regarding rules or rulemaking, please contact our rules coordinator, Barb Cleveland, at 360-407-2700 or at rulemaking@oah.wa.gov.

ACRONYM KEY

CR: “Code Reviser” on the rulemaking forms, which are produced by the Office of the Code Reviser for use by all state agencies.

CR-101: Prenotice Statement of Inquiry filed under RCW 34.05.310

CR-102: Proposed Rule Making notice filed under RCW 34.05.320 or 34.05.340

CR-103: Rule Making Order permanently adopting a rule, and filed under RCW 34.05.360 and 34.05.380

CR-105: Expedited Rule Making Proposal filed under RCW 34.05.353

RCW: Revised Code of Washington

WAC: Washington Administrative Code

WSR: Washington State Register official filing reference number given by the Office of the Code Reviser when a notice is filed.



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WAC	Rule Subject	Purpose of Potential Rule Development	Estimated Filing Date— Prenotice Statement of Inquiry (CR-101)	Estimated Filing Date— Proposed Rule (CR-102 or CR-105)	Estimated Filing Date— Permanent Rule (CR-103)
10-08	Model Rules of Procedure	<p>To ensure that the model rules comply with RCW 34.05.220(5) by being “clearly and simply stated, so that [they] can be understood by those required to comply.”</p> <p>To ensure that the model rules comply with RCW 34.05.250 by being “appropriate for use by as many agencies as possible” and that the rules “deal with all general functions and duties performed in common by the various agencies.”</p> <p>CR-101 was filed October 19, 2022, WSR 22-21-142. However, the agency study is ongoing, including review of statutory changes and development of a charter for stakeholder input.</p>		To be determined	To be determined
10-04-050	Agency Organization – Public Records	A petition for expedited rulemaking was received in March 2024 to update pronouns used in WACs that govern OAH, specifically WAC 10-04 and 10-08.			



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		<p>OAH supported the changes requested in the petition and filed a CR-105 on April 30, 2024, WSR 24-10-078.</p> <p>No comments or concerns were received regarding the changes and a CR-103P was filed July 2, 2024, WSR 24-14-129. The rule will become effective 31 days after filing.</p>			
10-08-050, 085, 090, 110, 120, 130, 140, 150, 160, 190, 230	Model Rules of Procedure	<p>A petition for expedited rulemaking was received in March 2024 to update pronouns used in WACs that govern OAH, specifically WAC 10-04 and 10-08.</p> <p>OAH supported the changes requested in the petition and filed a CR-105 on April 30, 2024, WSR 24-10-077.</p> <p>No comments or concerns were received regarding the changes and a CR-103P was filed July 2, 2024, WSR 24-14-111. The rule will become effective 31 days after filing.</p>			